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MULTI-USER ACCESS TO THE
FUNCTIONALITY OF CONSUMER
DEVICES

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In compliance with Applicant's duty under 37 CFR § 1.56, the following information is brought to the attention of the Examiner. The items are listed on the attached PTO-1449 form. Copies of the cited references were previously cited by or submitted to the Patent Office in connection with prior U.S. application Serial No. 09/280,524, to which the present application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 120. Copies of the cited references are therefore not being provided herewith. (37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d).)

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Respectfully submitted,

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